

## MAN PAST SEVENTY FINED AS CRUEL

Aged Thaddeus Bell Punished for  
Subjecting a Horse to Starva-  
tion and Exposure.

**PATHETIC FIGURE IN COURT**

Sheriff and Judge Compassionate—Percy  
A. Rockefeller and His Servants  
Complainants in Case.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.]  
GREENWICH, Conn., Saturday.—Aged  
Thaddeus Bell, more than seventy years,  
was a pathetic figure in the Greenwich  
Borough Court this morning when ar-  
raigned before Judges Barnes, charged  
with cruelty and neglect of a horse. The  
aged man said he was not guilty, and said  
he had taken the horse from a grandson,  
a Port Chester liverman, because its legs  
were poor, and turned him out to pasture  
last December in the vacant lots in Green-  
wich, next to the residence of Percy A.  
Rockefeller.

He had made several trips from Port  
Chester on the trolley to see if the animal  
had enough to graze on, and had sent up  
two bales of hay for the horse to nibble on  
between times. Last Monday he was at  
the place just before the snow storm, saw  
that the hay was low, and departed in the  
blizzard. He took some hay to the  
hays yesterday, unloaded it, then saw some-  
one on the snow and entered of the  
hays having been dragged away. He  
saw the horse, and on complaint from  
Mr. Rockefeller, and that he was under  
arrest for subjecting the animal. Bell,  
with his white hair and long white whisk-  
ers, looked little like a man who would do  
any animal an injury, so the sheriff took  
him home to dinner and then sent him  
home over night. Instead of looking him  
up. He believed that the owner of the  
horse was a young man with a police re-  
cord, and was disappointed when he found  
the owner to be Bell.

This morning five of Mr. Rockefeller's  
employees appeared in court to tell how the  
horse had suffered, unblanketed and un-  
fed, how they had tried to feed him, and  
so the animal could get his fodder, and  
dug him from the snow banks when he  
was found, and covered him with  
straw.

Bell said that he did not consider he was  
to blame, and that there was a shed for  
the horse to go under, and that he had a  
good coat of hair, and would not keep on  
a blanket. He also said that the Rocke-  
feller horses ran around unblanketed,  
and that they were locked up at night only  
because they were valuable. He was fined  
in all \$38, and having but \$12, his son, an  
engineer, came to his aid, he refusing to  
accept the offer of the Rockefeller em-  
ployees to pay the fine.

Bell's grandfather named the town of  
Darlen and served in the State Legislature  
seventeen terms. His brother is a wealthy  
retired man and his nephew a bank cash-  
ier in Stamford.

## NATIONS PAY DEAR FOR COSTLY ERRORS

Little Mistakes That Have Cost Va-  
rious Governments Large  
Sums of Money.

## SOME TRICKS OF ENGRAVERS

Peculiar Spacing of Words on Bank Notes  
Reveals a Denunciation of  
the Papacy.

Enormous sums of money are frequently  
expended by various governments to rectify  
errors, often apparently trivial, in  
government printing. The United States,  
some years ago, destroyed 4,000,000 tele-  
graph forms, owing to the misspelling of a  
single word. In 1883 several hundred thou-  
sand greenbacks were cancelled before is-  
sue owing to the same cause. An em-  
ployee was convicted for attempting to steal  
some of these worthless notes, with the in-  
tention of selling them to collectors, says  
the London Globe.

The Austrian government is so intolerant  
of mistakes that it cancels documents  
not only on the ground of serious mistakes  
or misspelling, but even as the result of a  
misspelled letter. The use of a small in-  
stead of a capital B in the word  
"Briefe" led a short time ago to the de-  
struction of 25,000 forms issued to the  
various post offices.

In 1859 an Austrian designer of bank  
notes signed his name in tiny letters at the  
foot of a drawing. The engraver copied  
the name, and before the mistake was dis-  
covered 10,000 notes were printed, all of  
which had to be burned.

A symbolic figure on another Austrian  
note was maliciously given a beard which  
could be seen if the note were held at a  
certain angle in the light.

Before the union of Italy more than one  
attempt was secretly made to turn official  
papers and notes to propagandist uses. A  
custom house regulation form was so  
spaced by the compositor that the initial  
words in every line, if read consecutively,  
were a declaration against the papal claim  
to govern Rome.

In another case the spacing of words in  
certain bank notes was so arranged that  
by drawing a pencil line in a particu-  
lar way a rude outline of the arms of Savoy  
resulted. These notes, of course, never saw  
the light, the device being too obvious to  
escape detection.

In 1901 a Spanish engraver was heard  
boasting that he had "signed his name"  
on every one of ten thousand bank notes  
just about to be issued. When called up  
and asked for an explanation he declared  
that he had been joking. But an examina-  
tion of the notes showed that certain let-  
ters in one line were raised a microscopic  
distance above those next to them.  
These raised letters spelled the engraver's  
name. Seven hundred and fifty dollars  
was the price paid by the authorities for  
their engraver's joke.

The Kaiser's persistent interference in  
all matters of art has cost the Fatherland  
heavy losses in cancelled printed matter.  
One of his first acts as sovereign was to  
show his subordinates how the imperial  
arms should be printed. He ordered thirty  
thousand forms and documents had been im-  
pressed with these arms an antiquary of  
high authority to his Majesty the Kaiser  
the new design was not only wrong, but  
also humiliating to himself. Seven thou-  
sand five hundred and fifty dollars were  
promptly reduced to ashes.

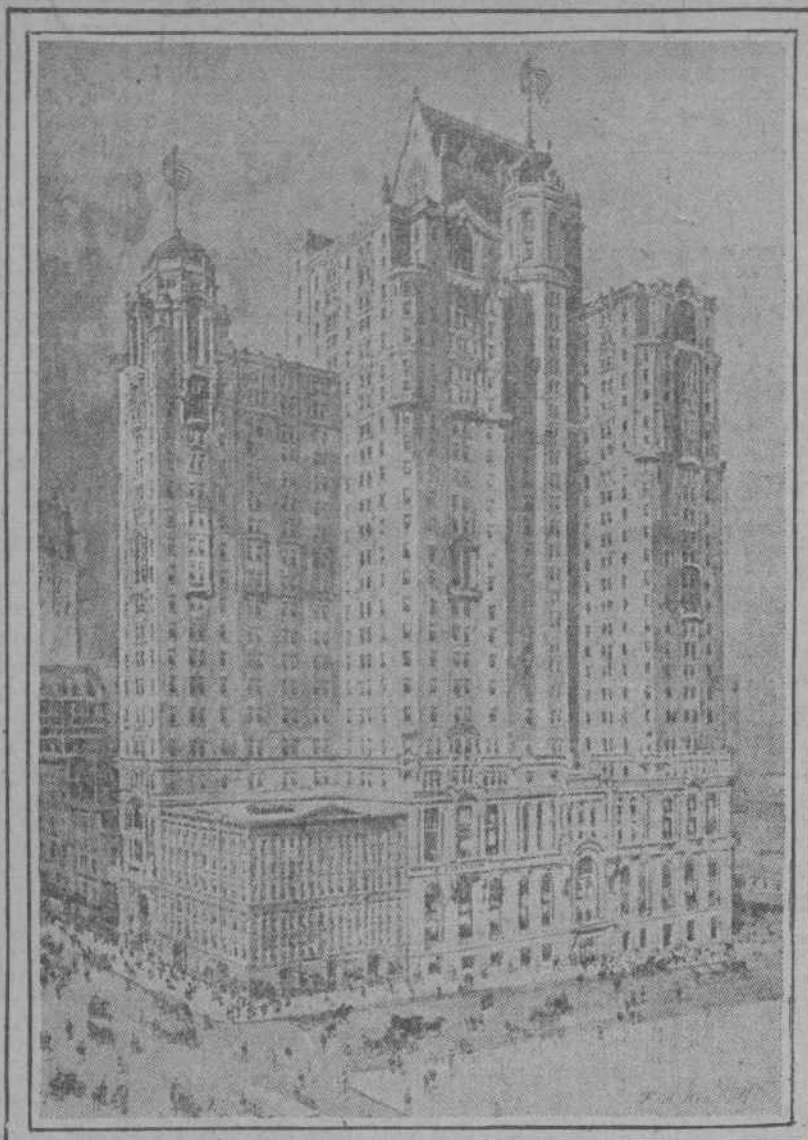
In another case the Kaiser "sub-edited"  
the German money order form in such a  
way that the public could not make head  
or tail of it. Finally the new form had  
to be called in and thousands of unused  
copies destroyed.

Fifteen thousand pounds' worth of the  
eleven shilling postal orders had to be de-  
stroyed by the British General Post Office  
some time ago owing to the poundage  
stamped on the face having been 11d. in-  
stead of 14d., as it should have been. The  
estimated loss to the country was \$100.

England seldom has to put up with such  
losses, but foreign governments are less  
lucky. Both on the Continent and in Amer-  
ica carelessness or wantonness in misprint-  
ing money orders, telegraph forms and  
bank notes has led to serious loss and  
cumbersome complications.

France has been a bad sufferer. In 1896  
more than 20,000 hundred franc credit notes  
were printed with a word badly misspelled,  
the error not being noticed until some of  
the notes had been issued to banks.

## Thirty Story Building in Broadway



30-story Building to Go Up at Broadway and Cortlandt St.  
For the City Investing Co. Ill. Broadway Robert E. Dowling Pres.

Giant among office buildings of the  
world, the City Investing Building Com-  
pany will tower above the great structures  
of lower Broadway. This latest product  
of the architect and builder's art is to be  
thirty stories high in its central part and

twenty-five stories throughout the re-  
mainder. It will cover a ground area of 37,000  
square feet at Broadway and Cortlandt  
street, surrounding the old Benedict Build-  
ing. The western part will cover the site

of the Coal and Iron Exchange, at Cort-  
landt and Church streets, with a frontage  
in Cortlandt street of 100 feet and of 100  
feet in Church street. The Broadway en-  
trance will be in Nos. 16 and 17, and a  
main corridor thirty-eight feet wide will  
run through to Church street, a distance  
of 38 feet.

Unable to obtain the fee in the Benedict  
Building, on the corner, the City Invest-  
ing Company has leased that structure for  
eighty years, thus insuring light and air  
on the north. The cost of this pile will  
be more than \$2,500,000. In line with the  
policy of Robert E. Dowling, president of  
the City Investing Company, to give to  
tenants quick and abundant transpor-  
tation facilities, the building will have  
twenty-one elevators.

It is probable that the building will have  
an entrance to the McAdoo tunnel, which  
will come up to Church street, under Cort-  
landt street, and will turn north under the  
south side of that thoroughfare. This has  
not yet been decided upon.

In style of architecture the building will  
be what is technically known as free Ital-  
ian. The adoption of this type of archi-  
tecture has given the architect, Francis  
H. Kimball, an opportunity to produce a  
structure whose massive appearance will  
be imposing.

**DISCOURAGING FOR CONVERT.**

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Saturday.—Being  
converted, as he says, a tramp in Denver  
writes to C. C. Clark, general agent of  
the passenger department of the Big Four  
Railroad, that he wishes to pay for rides  
he stole on the bumpers of freight cars.  
He asks Mr. Clark to advise him concern-  
ing the best rates that can be given. His  
letter is as follows:

"I rode on freight trains from Indian-  
apolis to St. Louis three times, St. Louis  
to Indianapolis three times, Indianapolis to  
Marion three times, Alexander to Tip-  
ton one time, Urbana to Indianapolis two  
times, Indianapolis to Urbana two times,  
Danville to Indianapolis two times and  
Danville to Veedsburg two times.

"I am converted and wish to make  
things right as soon as I can. Give me  
best rates."

Mr. Clark says he will have to ask the  
writer to pay regular passenger rates. He  
is making out an itemized statement to  
be sent to the repentant one.

**FIRE IN BUSINESS DISTRICT.**

Fire that for a time threatened to spread  
throughout one of the most congested  
business districts started early last even-  
ing on the third floor of a six story build-  
ing at No. 16 Green street and rapidly ex-  
tended to the fourth and fifth floors.

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**LOVELY VIEW OF THE COAST**

Duchess of Beaufort Arrives at Villa Santa  
Caterina on Visit to Lady  
Essex.

[From the European Edition of the Herald.]  
TAORMINA.—Etna is shining with dazzling  
whiteness beyond the almond blossom. The  
weather has suddenly changed from spring  
to summer, and linen dresses are already  
emerging from the fair travellers' trunks.

There was a big picnic yesterday to Sant'  
Alessio, whence one of the loveliest views  
of the coast line and the entrance to Mes-  
sina Straits is to be seen. Mrs. Charles  
Dashwood was the hostess, and the occa-  
sion the eleventh birthday of her son.

Among the thirty-three guests, who mostly  
went by carriage, were Admiral Sir Nowell  
and Lady Salmon, Mrs. Jardine Binnie,  
Miss Robins, Baroni di Polcastello, Major  
Vaughan, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Thomp-  
son, Miss Constable, Mrs. Farrington, Miss  
Gramshaw, Don Cicco Zuccero, Miss  
Wood, Miss Tulloch, Miss Rintoul, Mr.  
Oppenheim and Miss Kitson. Through the  
kindness of the owner, Marchese di Mauro,  
the guests were able to see the Château  
de Sant' Alessio, not usually open to visit-  
ers.

King Carnival here enjoys the primitive  
but stirring reign of a monarch of younger  
ages. A lottery for the benefit of San  
Pancrazio has been one of the events, and  
this morning much amusement was caused  
by the arrival of a deputation bringing to  
Mr. King Wood's house the prize of which  
he is the lucky winner—a large live black  
pig! This rather embarrassing child of  
Carnival is still awaiting his doom.